TWO PROCLAMATIONS MADE 1^H JAN

sonie speedj remedy be not employed in time Wherefore high constables and other head officers are straitly commanded once in every month to call before them the inferior officers, to inquire ho\\ the la\\b and statutes have been observed and to admonish those in \vhorn an> default or negligence hath been found Moreover those justices through whose negligence or connivancy these offences shall be continued, shall receive such condign punishment as to the quality of their offences and contempt shall appear most fit and convenient It is further commanded that an abstract of the statutes shall be read publicly at every Quarter Sesbions and once every quarter at least in every parish church by the parson

i6th January CONTRIBUTIONS FROM THE LAWYERS

Because of her Majesty's great need in these Irish affairs, letters have been severally addressed to many of the lawyers requiring contributions from them for the service whereby her Majesty shall male a judgment of their affection, and declaring that the lawyers especially, to whom God hath given more than ordinary understanding, will see how necessary it is that this mcled rebellion should be by all due courses suppressed These letters have been sent to one hundred and thirty eight of them demanding m all more than .£2,000

lyth January RECUSANTS IN LONDON

This day 16 priests and 4 laymen were removed out of divers pnsons in and about London and despatched towards Wisbeach, whereof one is a Bishop of Ireland and another a Franciscan Friar of the Order of the Capuchins This man wore his friar's •weed all the way he went, a thing not seen in England these many years

FROM PARIS

Sir Henry Neville, the ambassador in Paris, reporteth that these late alterations m England are much talked of throughout Christendom As for himself he would be glad to return, for the burden is too heavy for his purse by repair of Englishmen to whom he cannot shut his gate, so that sometimes he hath 12 or 16 of them at his table Noteth what idols we make of ambassadors here in England when scant courtesy is shov- n them o\er there